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POLICY AND PROCEDURES MEMORANDUM - AIRPORTS DIVISION

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SUBJECT: Eligibility of Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting (ARFF)
Vehicles

CANCELLATION: None

REFERENCE: 1. 14 CFR Part 139, Certification and Operations: Land
Airports Serving Certain Air Carriers
2. Order 5280.5B, Airport Certification Program Handbook
3. Order 5100.38A, Airport Improvement Program (AIP)
Handbook
4. Order 5100.39, Airport Capital Improvement Plan

APPENDICES: 1. ARFF Programming Code Table
2. Resolution of comments (Internal Use Only)

1. **Background:** 14 CFR Part 139.319(a) requires each certificated airport to provide, on the airport, during air carrier operations, ARFF capabilities specified for the Index required by paragraph 139.317. There is no regulatory requirement for the airport to provide ARFF services for general aviation operations at either certificated or non-certificated airports. The intent of this PPM is to establish consistency in programming and funding ARFF vehicles in the Great Lakes Region for all airports that have a federal obligation.

2. **Policy/Procedures:** The following policy/procedure will govern the programming of ARFF vehicles, for federal funding, in the Great Lakes Region:

a. The Airport Improvement Program programming code for ARFF vehicle procurement will be in accordance with the table in Appendix 1. If a vehicle programming code is raised, the justification(s) must be coordinated with AGL-610 and -620 for concurrence.

b. The programming code used from the table, would be the highest code that the airport can justify by forecasting scheduled service within the next five years.

c. Eligibility determinations will be made by the Airports District Office (ADO)/Block Grant State on a case-by-case basis.

d. Even though FAR Part 139 does not apply to non-certificated airports, this PPM uses the definitions found in FAR Part 139 solely for the purpose of programming ARFF equipment.


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Appendix 1

ARFF Programming Code Table

FAR Part 139 Certificate	Scheduled Part 121 Service	Unscheduled Part 121 Service	Number of passenger seats	Programming code
full	yes	-	> 30 seats	safety/security
full	yes	-	< 31 seats	standards
full	no	yes	> 30 seats	standards
full	no	no		ineligible
limited	yes	-	< 31 seats	standards
limited	no	yes	> 30 seats	standards
limited	no	no		ineligible
none	yes	-	> 20 seats	standards
none	no	no		ineligible